

UNNAMED POND

Prentiss Twp, Somerset Co. ME
U.S.G.S. Penobscot Lake

Fishes

None

Physical Characteristics

Area – 5 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth- 24 feet

Surface - 64°F

20 feet - 45°F

Principal Fishery: None

This small fishless pond is located 1/3 mile from a logging road in Prentiss Twp. There were no marked trails to the pond and there was no sign of any fishing activity around the shore.

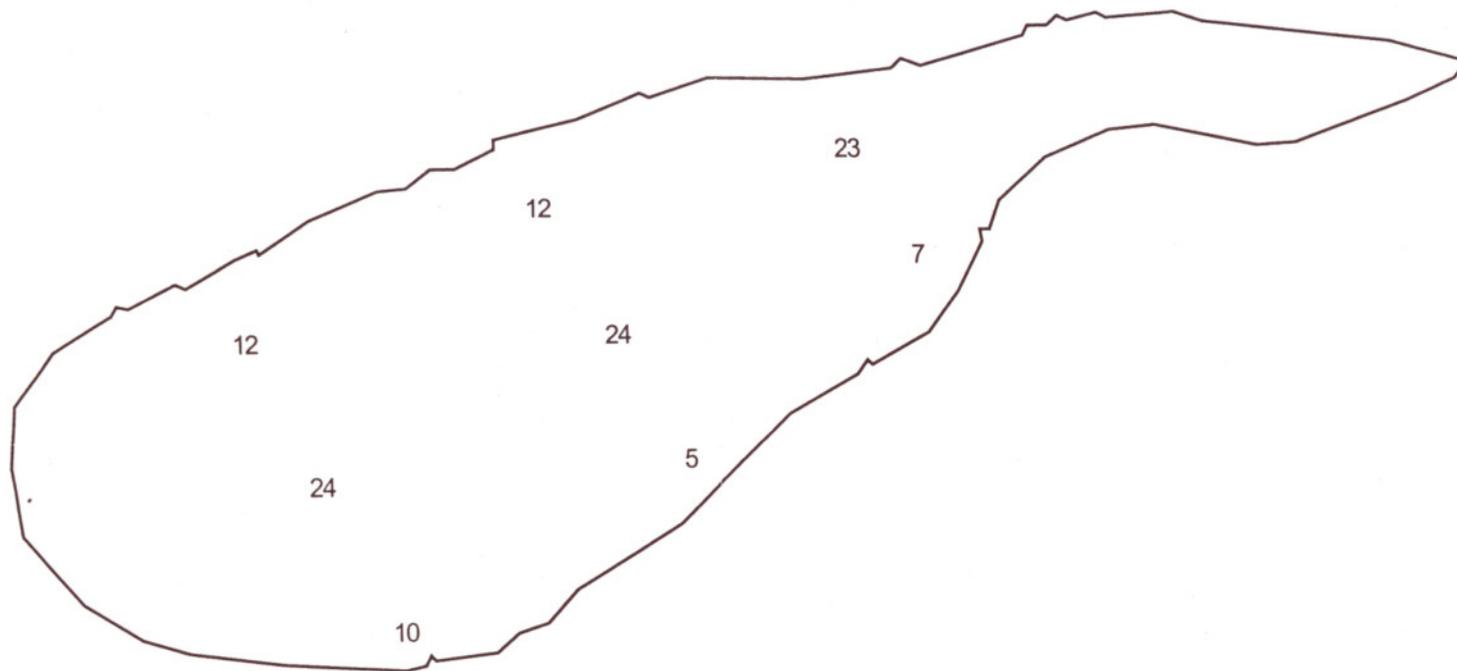
The shoreline is quite steep and some ledges are present along the northeast shore. The immediate shoreline is predominantly shrubs and softwood. Boulders were scattered along the silty bottom of the pond. A large beaver dam on the outlet was holding approximately 2 feet of water at the time of the survey. The channel below the dam contained rocks and some gravel that could potentially provide spawning habitat, although beavers had inundated this area in the past. While the outlet was not very steep near

the pond, there may be a natural impasse as it approaches the logging road. The small inlet on the west shore was cold and flowing, however, no gravel was observed.

The water quality is adequate to maintain a coldwater fishery. The pond was stratified and although there was a deficiency in the hypolimnion, the thermocline was well oxygenated.

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